

Department of Revenue Motor Vehicle Division Information Bulletin # MVD 2009-1 Salvage and Assembled Vehicle Inspections

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This information bulletin explains the Department of Revenue's (DOR) policy concerning changes in the inspection process for salvage and assembled motor vehicles. DOR will begin allowing certain private inspectors and privately-owned inspection stations to conduct salvage and assembled vehicle inspections. Inspectors and inspection stations must meet certain requirements and be registered with DOR prior to inspecting any salvage or assembled vehicles.

In addition to private inspectors, DOR will retain employees to perform inspections at private inspection stations.

Inspectors shall pay a registration fee of \$10.00 and will receive a registration card from DOR.

Inspection stations shall pay a registration fee of \$100.00 and will receive a certificate stating that such station has been inspected and approved by DOR.

For every inspection or re-inspection of a salvage vehicle that is completed, DOR will charge a fee of \$100.00. The DOR fee for an assembled vehicle shall be \$150.00 for a car or truck, and \$125.00 for a motorcycle. Additionally, inspection stations may charge a maximum fee of \$50.00 for the inspection and \$50.00 as a "site" or "location" fee. Therefore, the maximum amount that may be charged for a salvage inspection is \$200.00, which includes all state and private fees.

Reasons for Changes in the Inspection Process:

Due to increased demand for salvage and assembled vehicle inspections along with budgetary considerations, DOR has determined that in order to provide better customer service it will allow private individuals and private inspection stations to conduct salvage and assembled vehicle inspections. Allowing private individuals and privately owned stations to conduct inspections will increase the number of inspectors and inspection locations. Consequently those changes will make it easier for owners of salvage or assembled vehicles to have an inspection completed in a timely and convenient manner without increasing current costs.

DOR will promulgate Regulations in Chapter 560-10-30 detailing the requirements, guidelines, and processes associated with inspectors and inspection stations. Once promulgated, these Regulations may be found on the Department of Revenue's website at https://etax.dor.ga.gov/hottopics.aspx, under the "Motor Vehicle Tax Rules" heading.

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